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QUESTIONS SUBMITTED

BY

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

29 April 1959

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1. For the benefit of our new member and to bring the others up to date -- would you explain the respective responsibilities in the intelligence field and how you work with such groups as the National Security Agency, the Intelligence Services of the military, the State Department, and other agencies.
2. While we are on the subject of our total intelligence effort, would you supply the Committee, as you have in the past, with a tabular statement showing our total effort in this field. This should include a listing of the agencies involved, the numbers of employees and the dollars expended, for fiscal years 1958, 1959 and projected for 1960.
3. In 1956 the President established a permanent Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities, empowered to review intelligence activities of the Government and report to the President. How is this Board doing? Who are the members? How many employees does it have and are they qualified to do the job required? How closely do they work with you; are contacts daily or occasionally?
4. Has this Board taken a careful look at the over-all intelligence gathering effort to determine if there is overlapping and duplication or if any agency is doing unproductive work?
5. Last spring you furnished the Committee a statement giving estimates on intelligence by various agencies for fiscal year 1958. This statement shows a

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total employment of [REDACTED] and an expenditure of [REDACTED] exclusive of
any cold war activities. In other words, this was just for intelligence gathering
activities. I would like to ask you about the work of these various agencies going
25X9 down the list on this statement. [REDACTED]

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6. Intelligence gathering and evaluation these days is of primary importance. The outcome can have far-reaching effects on national policies and especially on defense spending. The big job is to properly evaluate the programs and intentions of the Soviets. How well do you think we are doing in this regard?

7. How do you arrive at an estimate on the Soviet missile program?
What facts do you have at your command, and how reliable are they?

8. You have seen a recent article in a popular consumption magazine by a reporter who supposedly visited extensively in Russia. This article downgrades the Russian missile capability -- particularly in electronics or guidance. Is there any truth to this man's claim?

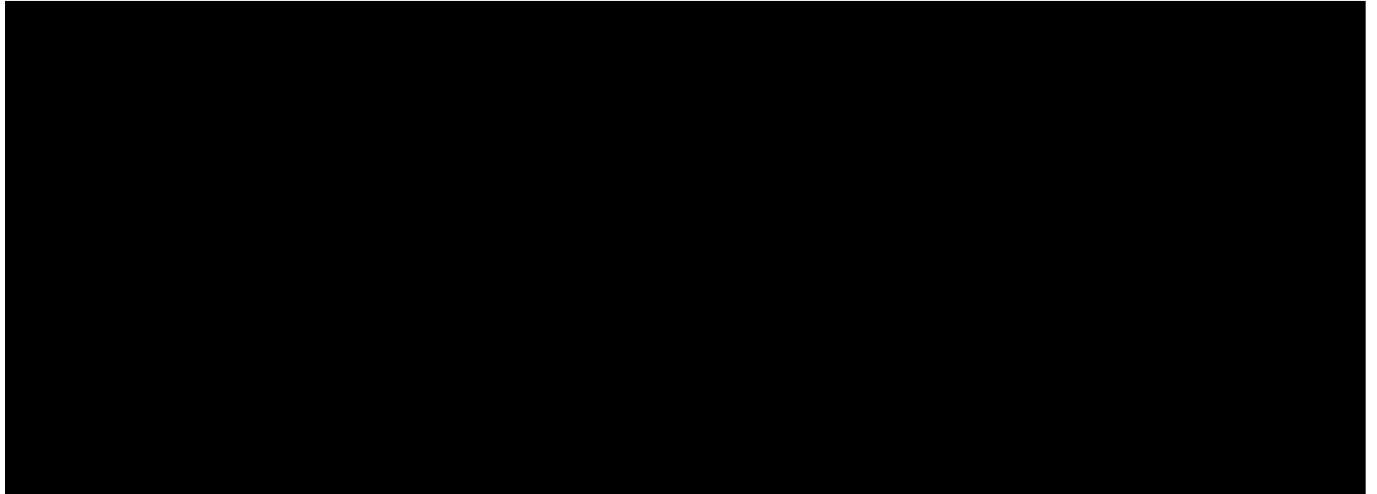
9. Did this man actually visit with Russian scientists as freely as he claims, and if so, why wasn't he an agent of our intelligence? Do we send such people, either reporters, scientists, or educators, on fact-gathering missions into Russia? If not, why not?

10. Last August, we talked about finding some way for you to keep this Committee, and others in Congress, needing to know, posted on developments in the intelligence field. You were to give the matter some thought and let us know your position. Do you have a proposal?

QUESTIONS DIRECTED TO BUDGET JUSTIFICATION BOOK

Turning to page 1 in the justification book:

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The same question applies to the estimate for travel? The money is going up while the number of people who can travel is going down. Why?

On page 4

Explain the meaning of the table on page 4, and why there is no estimate for 1960?

On page 5

Under No. 2 -- why is there a reduction in [REDACTED] operations in the near-east?

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Under No. 3 -- where in the world and/or in what offices are the reductions of [REDACTED] positions being made? Why is there such a small reduction in average numbers as a result of this cutback in positions?

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On page 8

During only one year since 1952 has there been more than [REDACTED] released from the reserve fund. With this being the case, why should we continue

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to maintain such a large reserve fund? Why can't we reduce this on an experience basis, and should a real emergency result, have you come back for a supplemental from the vast unobligated funds available to the Department of Defense?

Where did the "Additions to Reserve" shown for 1953, 1954 and 1957 come from at the time these additions were made?

On page 9

Mr. Director, you probably have authority to spend more money on an unvouchered or unchecked basis than any other man in the world outside of the Communist Block. Tell us about some of these expenditures, and explain to the Committee once again the difference between the handling of vouchered and unvouchered expenditures. Explain your procedures for authorizing them, how they are checked and who does the checking.

Why is it necessary for such a large percentage of your expenditures to be unvouchered?

Explain the operation of the "M" account shown on page 9.

On page 14

Go into the ^{25X1C} a little more thoroughly and give us a rundown on the specific activities as to where, by whom, and how much.

Tell us also what you think we are getting from these activities.

On page 15

Run through the object class breakdown on page 15 and explain the big decreases in other contractual services, transportation of things and equipment. Explain the major increases also.

On page 19

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On page 19, it is indicated that there are [redacted] military and civilian employees in the Director's Office at the present time, while on page 18 it is indicated that the numbers of positions will be [redacted] in 1960. Why this difference?

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Compare these figures also with the figures shown on page 22.

On page 20


The CIA is excluded from any legal ceiling on so-called supergrades, is it not? Furnish the Committee with a list of these supergrades by position, title, location and grade.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR

Attached is a copy of the questions submitted by Chairman Cannon at our meeting yesterday. I would like the benefit of your advice as to who should prepare the reply to Question #1. I have suggested to the Director that Question #10 might be brought up at a Deputies' Meeting to decide how we should respond.

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(Support)

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